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Lecture on "Heroes" at the Eisenhower Center

On Thursday, October 14, the Eisenhower Center and the Eisenhower Foundation will sponsor a lecture by Dr. Dennis Denenberg on the importance of heroes in the lives of young Americans. The presentation will be held at 7 p.m. in the auditorium of the Library building and is free and open to the public. Copies of his book, 50 American Heroes Every Kids Should Meet, will be available for purchase. A book signing will follow Dr. Denenberg's presentation.

Denenberg, professor of elementary and early childhood education at Millersville University, Millersville, Pa., will relay the message that children should seek out heroes who are real people, not just imaginary characters in comic books and in the movies. He is a former high school social studies teacher, elementary school principal and assistant superintendent of schools, and has authored several books dealing with heroes.

"Dr. Denenberg encourages us to reconsider what kind of heroes we promote to our children. He reminds us that, rather than make-believe characters like Superman and Mickey Mouse, the real hero is Walt Disney, Mickey's creator. I believe our audience will find Dr. Denenberg's presentation to be extremely entertaining," commented Kim Barbieri, education specialist at the Eisenhower Center.

Interested persons should call the Eisenhower Center at 785-263-6700 or 1-877-RING IKE to reserve a seat.